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Jeugdzorg Emmaüs Antwerp is looking for volunteers

Are you at least 20 years old? Do you enjoy working with children and young people aged 6 to 14 and supporting their families? Are you socially skilled, empathetic, and comfortable building relationships? Are you creative, flexible, enthusiastic, and open to new ideas?
Are you curious and eager to learn and grow?

If you recognise yourself in these questions, you might be the volunteer we are looking for.

You can start volunteering with us in 2026 and stay for one year. Your volunteering will take place at our location 'Juno' in SCHOTEN (a town near Antwerp). At this location, we assist families from the child welfare system and unaccompanied minor refugees, in becoming more independent.

As a volunteer, you will support daily life in the house and work closely with the housemother and team.

Your schedule

Monday to Friday – 7:00 to 15:00

- 7:00–11:30
  Supporting morning routines: preparing breakfast, making lunchboxes, assisting children to the school bus, and helping with light household tasks (folding laundry, kitchen support, etc.).
- 12:00
  Lunch break with the technical/logistics team.
- 13:00–15:00
  Supporting daytime activities together with the day care team.

Weekend: Occasionally 1–2 hours of cooking together with the group.

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We provide

- A studio 20 km from Antwerp city (Schoten). The studio is located at one of our residential sites where young people live.
- Transport by public transport or a bicycle provided by our organisation.
- A monthly food budget of €300.
- Pocket money according to ESC regulations.
- On-arrival and midterm training provided by the National Agency.
- Dutch language lessons.
- A professional and well-established organisation with a broad range of youth care services.
- A committed and supportive team where you are never left on your own.
- Plenty of space for dialogue, initiative, and collaboration — because we believe we achieve more together.
- A dynamic organisation that continuously evolves and looks ahead.
- Opportunities for personal growth within a meaningful and socially engaged environment.

Your tasks

- Encouraging and supporting children and young people in their daily routines (waking up, attending school, participating in activities).
- Helping create structure and a positive daily rhythm.
- Being present as a stable and positive role model.
- Supporting after-school activities and shared moments in the house.
- If you have a driver's licence, occasionally assisting with transportation to appointments.

We are looking for a volunteer who:

- Is at least 20 years old.
- Is willing to commit for one year.
- Is open to learning and eager to gain experience in working with young people.
- Has a personal passion or hobby (sports, music, arts, crafts, cooking, nature, technical skills, etc.) that they are willing to share with young people.
- Is respectful, patient, and genuinely interested in young people and their development.
- Is flexible and able to adapt to a changing schedule (including day, evening, and occasional weekend activities).
- Is willing to learn Dutch and open to finding ways to communicate in a shared language with young people and colleagues.

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- Stays calm and attentive in challenging situations.
- Is self-aware and willing to reflect on their own actions and personal growth.
- Supports young people in developing their strengths and talents.
- Shows commitment and respect towards everyone involved in the young person's life.

You do not need previous professional experience — motivation, openness, and a willingness to grow are most important.

More info at: https://www.jeugdzorgemmausantwerpen.be/juno or Kaat Van Praet – 0498 90 47 95

How to apply?

Please apply online.